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1. The Brusartsi (N 43-30, E 23-04) Airfield lies near the intersection of the Brusartsi-Medkovets road and the Pechinska Bara River, on the eastern shore of the river, 1,600 meters southwest of the Brusartsi railroad station. The airfield is rectangular and runs in a northeast-southwest direction. It is 1,600 meters long and 800 meters wide. (See sketch included as an appendix on page 4.)
2. There is no completed runway. The existing runway runs in a northeast-southwest direction. It is rolled and covered with gravel, slack, and bitumen. The bitumen gives the impression that the runway is made of concrete, but it actually is not. There is no taxi strip. The aircraft parking place, which is rolled, is located in the middle of the west flank and covers an area of 200 x 150 meters.
3. The 17 Fighter Regiment [redacted] is located at this airfield. It consists of two fighter squadrons with 100 men each. Each squadron has two flights and each flight consists of three teams. The airfield has 22 FRANK fighter aircraft, seven MULE aircraft, and two courier aircraft which belong to the headquarters staff (one of these aircraft is a Sokol and the other one is a MULE).
4. Much flying is going on at the airfield. Single training flights, flights in pairs, and flights in formation are taking place every day early in the morning. There is also stunt flying and fighter training. Usually each aircraft remains in the air 30 to 40 minutes, but there are some formations which leave early in the morning and do not return until evening.
5. The Aircraft Service Battalion [redacted] which is also stationed at the airfield, includes a signal company, a repair shop company, a transportation company, and a guard company which has three antiaircraft machine guns. The battalion has 180 men.
6. There are two hangars at the airfield. They are located in the middle of the west flank and each covers an area of 60 x 35 meters. They are built

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of reinforced concrete and have roofs made of corrugated sheet iron. The doors are made of rolled steel alloyed with tin.

7. There is a 1-story concrete building which is 150 meters northwest of the southern corner of the airfield. It covers an area of 35 x 40 meters and is used as a storage place and repair shop. In a special section of this concrete building, fuel and lubricant is stored.
8. The headquarters building is in the south corner of the airfield and covers an area of 20 x 30 meters. It has a flat roof and is a single-story building. There is a radio broadcasting station in the headquarters. The antenna is on the roof and has spokes which look like the spokes of an umbrella. A pole three meters high is noticeable on the roof. The width of the antenna is 2.5 meters and it is 1.5 meters high. It is a so-called "conus" antenna. The arms of the antenna are movable, and the direction of the antenna can be regulated from the inside. There is no radar at the airfield. There is, however, a meteorological station in the headquarters. Weather balloons are released from the roof of this building.
9. There are two garages north of the headquarters building. These two garages hold 20 trucks. Barracks are located south of the southern corner of the airfield outside of the airfield. The barracks include a 1-story, a 2-story and a 3-story building.
10. The central fuel depot is located 400 meters southeast of the southern corner of the airfield, and consists of two underground tanks. The area of the tanks is 70 x 30 meters. The depot is surrounded by barbed wire. Aircraft receive their fuel from two fuel trucks stationed at the airfield.
11. An ammunition depot is located in the southwest corner of the barracks. The ammunition stored here is probably ready for use. There is another ammunition dump 200 meters south of the barracks. This ammunition dump covers an area of 30 square meters and is surrounded by barbed wire. It consists of two bunkers, and apparently contains aircraft armament (bordwaffen) and rockets.
12. Forty blast shelters (possibly revetments) are located along the southeast flank of the airfield. At this flank a road which leads to the airfield is cut into the hill. There is no industrial railroad at the airfield. Barbed wire surrounds the southwestern, the southern, and the northeastern flank of the airfield. The northwestern flank runs along the Pechinska Bara River.
13. North of the airfield, west of the Brusartsi railroad station, and east of the Pechinska Bara River, there are emplacements for antiaircraft guns. However, no guns are there now.
14. There is an electric power works in Lem on the Danube. A transmission line runs west of the Pechinska Bara River to Brusartsi and from here over the bridge to the west corner of the airfield. From here it goes to the aircraft parking place by means of a cable. The airfield has two 1,800-mm. search lights which are attached to a power plant mounted on a 5-ton Skoda diesel light truck. The roof of the airfield headquarters and the cross of the church of the Sveta Rangelia Monastery are illuminated with neon lights.
15. The following is the legend to the sketch which is included as an appendix on page 4:
 - 1 - Rolled runway
 - 2 - Aircraft parking place
 - 3 - Hangars
 - 4 - Repair shop and depot building
 - 5 - Aircraft headquarters building and guard
 - 6 - Garages

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- 7 - Blast shelters (possibly revetments, or aircraft dispersal stations)
- 8 - Barracks
- 9 - Antiaircraft positions
- 10 - Transmission lines
- 10a - Cable line
- 11 - Central fuel depot
- 12 - Ammunition depot which contains ammunition ready for use
- 13 - Ammunition dump.

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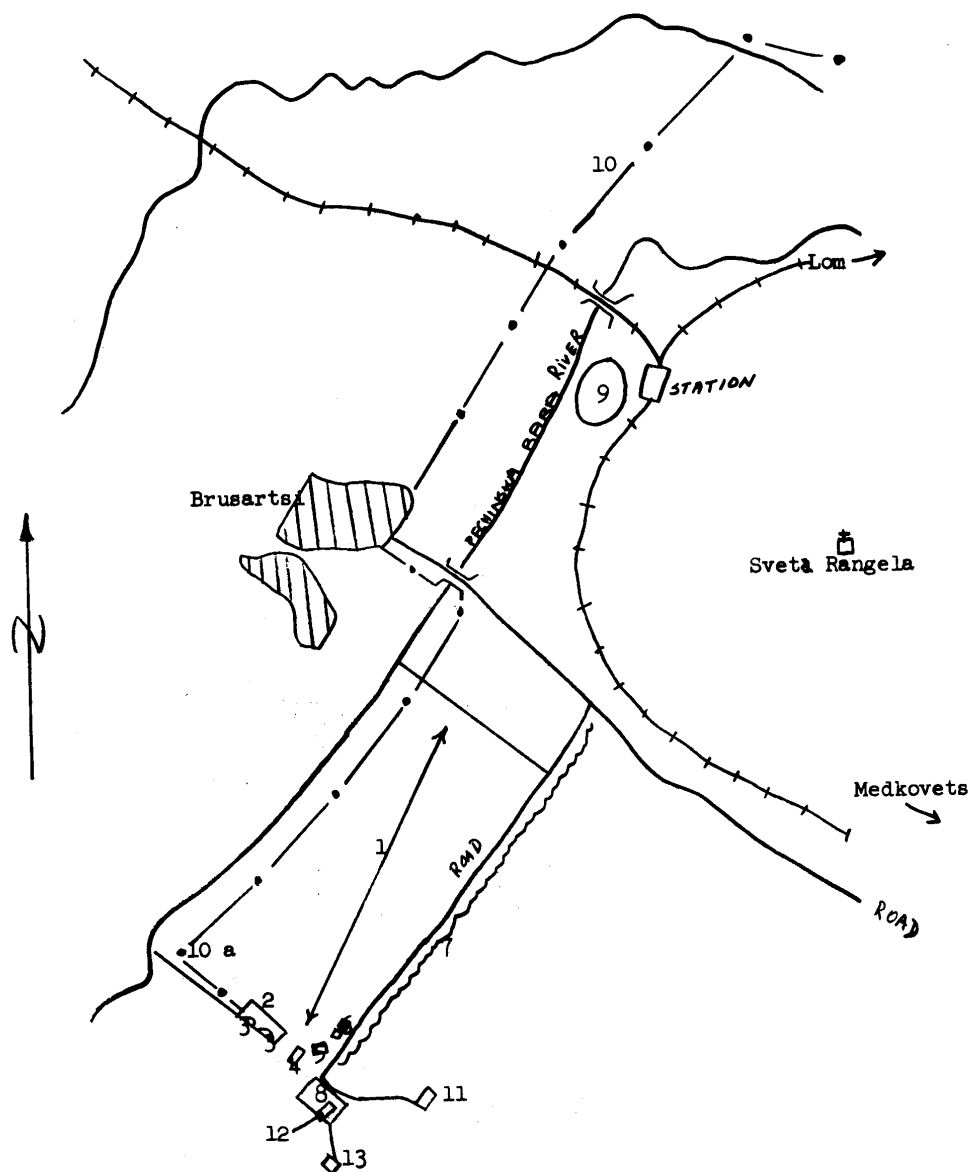
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APPENDIX

The Brusartsi Airfield



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